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The Honorable Kevin Green
77th District Representative
N1096 House Office Building
PO Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909-7514

Re: SB 34 Corridor Improvement Authority

Dear Representative Green:

On behalf of the City of Wyoming, I am urging you to vote for SB 34 Corridor Improvement Authority.

This legislation would help encourage local communities' continued growth and development. Developed communities need various economic development tools to address their unique redevelopment needs. The Corridor Improvement bill would provide this opportunity to those communities which need it the most; those that have infrastructure in place and can best sustain development. Redevelopment opportunities exist along major traffic corridors in the local communities. These corridors are often a major center of commercial activity and serve as the first impression that individuals have when entering a community.

Looking at 28th Street and 44th Street, which pass through several jurisdictions, this enhancement would allow communities to work with their neighboring cities and villages. The urban and suburban areas struggle with ways to revitalize their older developed areas and need tools to help them make improvements. In order to compete with growing green spaces, we need innovative programs to make the playing field level. Having the ability to redevelop these important centers of activity will aid in the resurgence of Michigan's cities and villages.

Again, I urge you to vote in favor of SB 34. If you would like to discuss this further, please contact me:

Very truly yours,

Curtis L. Holt
City Manager